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**Keep America Beautiful Presents Tennessee  
Department of Transportation with a Partner Award**

*-- Keep America Beautiful recognizes State Departments of Transportation  
during 60<sup>th</sup> annual National Conference in Washington, D.C. --*

**(Memphis, TN – Feb. 6, 2013)** – The Tennessee Department of Transportation was one of five Keep America Beautiful/U.S. State Department of Transportation Partner Award recipients at the National Awards ceremony, which took place during Keep America Beautiful's recent 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary National Conference in Washington, D.C.

The Keep America Beautiful/U.S. State Department of Transportation Partner Awards recognizes state DOTs for their support of KAB affiliates through joint partnership projects. These awards were created to recognize the high value KAB places on public-private partnerships.

"To reduce roadside litter and illegal dumping, KAB state affiliates must develop effective public-private partnerships," said Keep America Beautiful President & CEO Matt McKenna. "Our State Department of Transportation Partner Awards represents the fine work that state DOTs achieve with their respective KAB state affiliate partners."

Keep Tennessee Beautiful Interim Director Gordon Wilson said, "We are so pleased that the work TDOT does along with our KAB affiliates to help keep Tennessee clean and green continues to be recognized at the national level. Our state residents should be proud of what our network continues to accomplish."

The U.S. State Department of Transportation Partner Award winners are: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT); Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT); Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PENNDOT); Tennessee Department of Transportation (TENNDOT); and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

In addition to these award-winners, Keep America Beautiful also recognized nearly 100 other outstanding organizations and individuals for their achievements in promoting litter prevention, recycling, community beautification and environmental stewardship at the National Awards ceremony.

**About Keep Tennessee Beautiful**

Keep Tennessee Beautiful (KTnB) is an Extended Programs department of The



University of Memphis sponsored through a grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation with funds from special taxes levied on malt beverage and the soft drink industries (57-5-201 and 67-4-402). Since 1983, KTnB has served as a state resource center for litter prevention, community greening & beautification, and recycling & waste reduction education.

### **About Keep America Beautiful**

Keep America Beautiful is the nation's leading nonprofit that brings people together to build and sustain vibrant communities. With a strong national network of 1,200 affiliates and partners including state recycling organizations, we work with millions of volunteers who take action in their communities. Keep America Beautiful offers programs and engages in public-private partnerships that help create clean, beautiful public places, reduce waste and increase recycling while educating generations of environmental stewards. Through our actions, we help create communities that are socially connected, environmentally healthy and economically sound. For more information, visit [kab.org](http://kab.org).

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